

# A F F I D A V I T

Comes now the affiant, Bob Stallins, and after being duly sworn, hereby states as follows:

1) Bob Stallins, Major, Commander, Information Services Branch, Kentucky State Police.

2) I am the Commander of the Information Services Branch of the Kentucky State Police.

3) The Identification Unit is part of the Information Services Branch of the Kentucky State Police.

4) There are three Latent Fingerprint Examiners working in the Unit. The volume of daily incoming work to be examined already exceeds the capabilities of these three Examiners. Therefore, it would be very difficult to handle an increase in the workload of this unit.

5) Among the duties of the State Police Latent Fingerprint Examiners are: crime scene analysis and processing of latent fingerprints and evidence submitted by any other law enforcement agency in the Commonwealth.

6) In the Identification Unit, the results of each examination are double checked by another person in that Unit.

7) The professionals in the Identification Unit are trained in and employ the same methodology in examining fingerprints.

8) If members of the Identification Unit were required to testify at trial for the defense when another Latent Fingerprint Examiner of the Identification Unit is called for the prosecution, then, their testimony would be identical. This is due to the double verification that is done within this Unit.


9) It is the position of the State Police that is is not practical to appoint Identification Unit personnel to be forced to act as independent defense experts in retesting evidence already examined by the police.



Major Bob Stallins

Subscribed and sworn to me this 12th day of January, 1988.

My commission expires 5/4/91

  
Notary Public  
State-At-Large